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For: SPINOCEREBELLAR ATAXIA TYPE 8 AND METHODS OF DETECTION

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington D.C. 20231

Sir:

In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the materials enclosed herewith are brought to the attention of the Examiner as possibly being of interest in connection with the above-identified patent application. Consideration of each of the documents listed on the attached 1449 form(s) is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. §609, Applicants further request that a copy of the 1449 form(s), marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next Official Communication.

Also, the Examiner's attention is brought to several co-pending applications. U.S. Application Serial No. 08/267,803, filed June 28, 1994, U.S. Application Serial No. 09/135,994, filed August 18, 1998, U.S. Application Serial No. 08/727,084, filed October 8, 1996, U.S. Application Serial No. 09/083,268, filed May 22, 1998, and U.S. Application Serial No. 08/981,998, filed May 11, 1998.

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This information is provided pursuant to the duty to disclose all information material to patentability under 37 C.F.R. §1.56. This disclosure of these co-pending applications is not intended to be nor should it be construed as an admission that the above-cited information is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56, or that the co-pending applications are prior art to the present application.

**CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8:**

The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper is being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 4 day of March, 1999.

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